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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 7274 OF 2006

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Ms.A.V. Latne for the petitioner.

Mr.C.R. Sonawane, A.G.P. for the respondents no.1 to 3.

CORAM : S.B. MHASE &
D.G. KARNIK, JJ.

DATE : 15TH OCTOBER 2007

P.C. :

1. Heard.

2. By this petition, the petitioner challenges the order dated 22nd September 2006 passed by the Caste Scrutiny Committee, Konkan Bhavan, Mumbai refusing to validate the caste certificate dated 6th June 2003.

3. The petitioner claims to belong to Teli caste which is stated to be recognised as a backward class in the State of Uttar Pradesh. The petitioner is a migrant from Uttar Pradesh. Nothing is produced on record to show

that Teli caste is recognised as Scheduled Caste in the State of Maharashtra.

4. In our view, since the petitioner is a migrant from Uttar Pradesh, it may not be possible for the Scrutiny Committee to have a vigilance cell to go to the petitioner's native town at Uttar Pradesh and submit a report regarding the petitioner's caste claim. Matter would have to be investigated by the vigilance cell which is attached to a committee for verification of caste operating in the State of U.P.

5. In the circumstances, we see nothing wrong in the Scrutiny Committee at Konkan Bhavan, State of Maharashtra refusing to entertain the petitioner's claim for validating his caste. Petition is therefore rejected summarily with liberty to the petitioner to move the appropriate authority in the State of Uttar Pradesh for getting his caste claim validated.

(D.G. KARNIK, J.) (S.B. MHASE, J.)